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claim and any intervening claims; and (e) indicates that Claims 11-24 are allowable over the prior art of record. By this response, Applicant cancels Claim 2, amends the dependency of Claim 3, and amends Claims 6, 11, 13, and 18 to correct informalities present therein.

Applicant also hereby amends Claim 1 to define the second portion of the terminal assembly in a manner similar to that recited in originally filed Claim 2. Specifically, amended Claim 1 defines the second portion as "being disposable through an opening in the engine for engagement with the first portion of the terminal assembly" rather than the second portion "passing through an opening in the engine and engaging the first portion of the terminal assembly" as set forth in originally filed Claim 2. Applicant's amended Claim 1 now defines a heating device that is distinct from the devices disclosed in the cited references without incorporating the internal combustion engine as a limitation of the claimed invention.

Applicant, by making the above-mentioned changes, now feels that the application is in a condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of Claims 1 and 3-10, as amended, is therefore respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the present amendment he should not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (810) 641-1600.

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